

Minutes of the Special Parish Meeting of the Parish of Old Marston held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 22 January 2002 at the Mortimer Hall

Members of the Council Present

Mr. C.W. Haynes (Chairman)
Mrs. C. Stone (Vice-chairman)
Mesdames Bradley, Cox, Nurse and Tiwari
Messrs Agent, Bartleet, Batey, Cann and Macfarlane
The Clerk Mr. L.M. Garner in attendance
Twenty electors were also present.

Proposed New Pavilion on Existing Site at Boults Land

The Clerk outlined the condition of the existing building that had led to the Council's decision that the best solution would be to build a new pavilion on the existing site. The Meeting's approval was sought.

The Marston Saints Football Club, the principal user of the building, had suggested a building of about 280 sq. m. but the cost of this would not be affordable. The Council's recommendation was to increase the size of the present building by 50% to about 150 sq. m. giving a building cost of about £160,000 - £170,000 at current prices. The Marston Saints F. C. agreed to continue to fund normal running costs.

In order to ascertain what grants were available planning permission was necessary requiring plans. An architect, Mr. V. Brown, who had recently completed the new pavilion at Horton-cum-Studley, had quoted approx. £800 for the plans, and the planning application about £100. The Council recommended that this should be done and as part of the Grant application process the employment of a professional fundraiser at about £1,000 should be authorised.

The above recommendations were accepted by thirty votes to two and a proposal: " That the Council proceed to the planning, grant and fund raising stages of the replacement of the existing building" was approved *nem con.*